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Applicant : Henry Ptasinski, et al.  
Application No. : 09/619,553  
Filed : July 19, 2000  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VERIFYING CONNECTIVITY AMONG  
NODES IN A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK  
Grp./Div. : 2153  
Examiner : John R. Brancolini  
Docket No. : 39630/RJP/B600

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Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	44	44	0	0 x \$9.00	0 x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	4	4	0	0 x \$43.00	0 x \$86.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$145.00	\$290.00	0
TOTAL FILING FEE						0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ***	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					0

LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1, 12, 43 and 54

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Attached is our check for \$ 10 to pay the fees calculated above.

A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.

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